

## Vacancy Announcement United States Peace Corps in Belize

**Short**-term and **long-term** vacancies exist with Peace Corps Belize for <u>Language and Cultural Facilitators</u> in the following languages:

- Q'eqchi
- Spanish
- Kriol

## Position Summary for Short-Term Contract (May 30<sup>th</sup> to Early-September 2017 - approximately 3 months)

The Language and Cultural Facilitator (LCF) is an integral part of Peace Corps Belize's Pre-Service Training (PST) team responsible for language and cross-cultural instruction to new Peace Corps Trainees. The LCF plans and delivers daily language lessons, provides cross-cultural and health technical instruction to Trainees, and documents each Trainees' progress on language acquisition. He/She assists in reviewing all language materials and language manuals and helps to update the language training resources based on best practices, at the end of the contract period. During training, the LCF may be required to reside at the training community (from Monday to Friday) with a local host family that will be identified and compensated by the Peace Corps.

## Position Summary for Long-Term Contract (May 30<sup>th</sup> to Mid-December 2017 - approximately 6 months)

During the first three months, the roles and responsibilities of the LCF will be the same as outlined above in the position summary for the short-term contract (see above). At the end of the three months, the LCF's main duty station will be the Peace Corps Office in Belmopan and not the training community. He/She will provide ongoing language support to Volunteers during their service; deliver language lessons to Volunteers at in-service language training events; conduct housing checks with the Host Family Coordinator; and develop supplemental resources on listening, speaking, reading and writing to support the language program.

Required Education/Experience: Associate's Degree in Primary or Secondary Education; and at least 3 years of experience

in teaching a second language or teaching in general.

<u>Desired Qualifications</u>: Bachelor's Degree in Spanish Education (for applicants applying to teach Spanish); OR

Bachelor's Degree in Teaching Second Languages; OR Bachelor's Degree in Primary

Education or Secondary Education; A teacher's License.

## Required Knowledge, Skills & Attitudes:

- Native fluency in language that will be taught (either in Q'eqchi, Spanish, or Kriol);
- Knowledge of health care system in Belize and basic health issues affecting Belizeans;
- Knowledge of adult education methodologies and formal/non-formal education techniques;
- Knowledge of Belize's history, geography, culture, and economy, especially as it relates to the specific language being applied for: Spanish, Kriol or Q'eqchi cultures;
- Willingness to be on duty in assigned community for entire duration of training;
- Ability and confidence in developing and delivering creative and interactive language lessons using second language methodologies;
- Willingness to learn and use multi-level and experiential approach to training;
- Computer literacy, with strong reporting skills;
- Ability to work as a team player in a multicultural and diverse environment;
- Must be organized, dependable and flexible; and
- Must have a positive attitude and commit to high standard of ethical and professional conduct.

Position Salary: A range of BZ\$150 to BZ\$170 per day and is negotiable based on prior work experience and salary history.

Application Process/Deadline: Applicants must be Belizean citizens OR possess a valid Belizean work visa to apply.

- Submit resume, cover letter and contact information of three references to <a href="mailto:vacancy@bz.peacecorps.gov">vacancy@bz.peacecorps.gov</a> or mail to:
   Peace Corps Belize, Attn: LCF Position, PO Box 492, Belmopan, Belize. Please ensure that the cover letter refers to the <a href="mailto:specific language position">specific language position</a> for which you would like to apply (Q'eqchi, Spanish or Kriol) and the <a href="mailto:specific contract">specific contract</a> (short-term or long-term) you're interested in.
- Review of applications shall commence on <u>February 3, 2017</u> and applications will be accepted until position is filled.
- For a complete scope of work, please send a request to vacancy@bz.peacecorps.gov.